CITY MATTERS

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Local Observations.

Office of the Observer, U. S. Sig. Serv.,
Room 28, First National Bank
Pittsburgh, Pa., January 26, 1876.

Time.	Bar.	Th'r.	Hum	Wind. Dir.	Wind. Force.	Weath.
7 A. M.	30.217	25	62	N.W.	Fresh.	Cloudy
2 P. M.	30.171	34	59	S.W.	Fresh.	Clear.
9 P. M.	30.979	31	70	S. E.	Gentle.	Clear.

Mean barometer.. 30.088 Highest thermom....35
Mean thermom.... 30.2 Lowest thermom....

Pittsburgh Female College.

Next term commences February 4th. Send for catalogue to Rev. I. C. Pershing, D. D., Pittsburgh, Pa.

N. O. Molasses.

The present low price is causing an unprecedented consumption of these goods. Being made directly from cane grown on the rich soil of Louisiana, free from acids often used in the manufacture of syrup, they are healthful and pleasant. We notice on Liberty street our friends Allen Kirkpatrick & Co. are receiving and shipping large quantities.

Mass Meeting of Laborers.

Hand bills were circulated yesterday, calling a mass meeting in the Academy of Music, this evening. Speakers from New York and Philadelphia are promised, and it is said "a Labor Platform will be adopted." The cry is "Rally to the Standard of Labor," and "snatch the government out of the hands of the rings and politicians."

Christian Association Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Woman's Christian Association of Pittsburgh and Allegheny will be held on Thursday, January 27, at ten o'clock in the morning, at the rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association. Rev. Mr. Riley will be present and give an account of the great work now in progress in Mexico, owing to the introduction of the Bible in the Spanish language. All are invited.

The Humane Society.

The Executive Committee of the Humane Society met yesterday afternoon, Mr. Colton in the chair.

Mr. Street reported numerous cases of cruelty being acted upon and many complaints daily.

Mrs. Wilson McCandless was appointed to fill the vacancy on the Executive Committee.

After the transaction of some business not of public importance, adjourned.

Rumored Change of Chief of Police.

It is rumored that Mr. James McCandless will soon retire from the position of Chief of Police and that Roger O'Mara will be appointed to the position. No special reasons are given, and at this writing we are unable to obtain definite information as to the truth of the rumor. Mr. McCandless has occupied the position since the beginning of the present term of Mayor McCarthy. He is a very trustworthy and conscientious gentleman, but was without experience worth speaking of when appointed. Mr. O'Mara has had considerable experience, having been actively engaged on the city police force for a number of years, and for some seven or eight months past on the detective force, where he has shown himself one of the most active and successful of that body.

Fatal Accident—Boy Killed.

A sad accident occurred yesterday morning on the Virginia and Charleston Railroad, near the city Poor Farm. Charles Cannon, a boy aged fourteen years, was instantly killed by being run over. He was subject to epileptic fits and had been placed by his parents, at at their expense, at the farm for care and treatment. It is supposed that having walked upon the track he was taken and fell. His body was found on the track about seven o'clock, with the skull fractured and the face cut considerably. The body was lying between two ties, and it is supposed that he was seized with an epileptic fit at the time of his death. It was not mutilated at all, the only part that was touched being the head, which was struck by something under one of the cars. The body will be brought down and taken to the residence of the child's father, Mr. John Cannon, on Forty-fifth street. An inquest will be held today.

At the Head of Navigation

The people of Fairmont, West Virginia, had a grand jollification, on Tuesday, on the occasion of the arrival at that port of the steamer "Elector," from this city. The boys had "a high old time," and kept up the enthusiasm nearly all night. At seven o'clock next morning (says the narrative) they all had recovered sufficiently to assemble on the boat amid the deafening cheers from those on the banks. The Captain took them all a ride up the Monongahela river about a mile. The Morgantown brass band accompanied the excursion, also persons from different points along the river. The officers of the boat were paid one hundred dollars by the Morgantown excursionists, and a purse of fifty dollars was given them by Fairmont. At nine o'clock the banks of the river were black with people. The bell rang and the whistle blew, the band played an enlivening air. The monster sidewheel "Elector" backed out in the channel, and amid the tremendous noise passed from view around the bend of the river.

City Surveys.

The Survey Committee met yesterday afternoon.

The ordinance establishing the grade of north curb of Denny street was affirmatively recommended.

The vacating of Collins avenue from Stanton avenue to Graff street was similarly acted upon.

The ordinance changing the line of Heberton, from Stanton avenue to Graff street, was laid over.

The following ordinances were affirmatively recommended: Authorizing the assessment of damages for the grading of Liberty avenue from Thirty-third street to Center avenue; locating Grand avenue; locating Center avenue from Pearl street to Winebiddle street; locating Hoffman street from Grand avenue to Garden street; locating Mayer avenue Thirty-second ward; locating Harrison street, between Fiftieth and Fifty-third street.

Mr. Rahauser, from the sub-committee, reported an estimate for the ensuing year to the amount of $10,000, which was approved.

Adjourned.

The Miners' Strike on the Pan Handle.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Mansfield Coal and Coke Company, held yesterday in this city, it was reported by the Manager that there had been four strikes among the miners during the past year, involving a loss of sixty days' time, and that the last strike, which began about the 10th of December, is still unsettled, the miners demanding three cents a bushel, while the officers of the company feel that they can afford but two and a half cents, the price paid during the past year.

It appears that some thirty or forty of the miners are not only willing but anxious to resume work at two and a half cents, but fear for the lives of themselves and families in consequence of threats made by some of the "strikers," induces them to remain idle rather than risk the consequences threatened.

In view of these facts the stockholders of the company unanimously

Resolved, That the action of the Board of Directors in declining to advance the price of mining until the price obtainable for coal warrants an advance, meets with the approval of the stockholders. S.

Dr. Hopkins Under Bonds.

The latest criticism of the course of Dr. Hopkins, on the Sabbath question, is from the pen of the venerable Dr. David McKinney in this week's *Banner*. The Doctor takes the ground that if the Auburn Professor had been *outside* the Christian church, his paper on the Sabbath need not have been noticed; but when it was read under the implied patronage of a Christian assembly, by a Presbyterian minister, Christians, and especially those of the Presbyterian family, were called upon to repudiate it. We quote one paragraph:

"Dr. Hopkins, in his open letters to the daily papers, claims entire liberty. He may think and speak as he deems to be right. This is quite plausible. And there is some truth in it. But it is not the whole truth. Dr. Hopkins is under bonds. 'Tis no new thing for men to say: 'Our lips are our own; who is lord over us?' But Christians forget themselves when *they* so talk. A man, in joining a church, parts with a portion of his liberty. He binds himself, to a certain extent, to think and speak and act as his brethren of that church think and speak and act. What this bond comprehends is usually written, and the writing is called a Symbol, Discipline, Creed or Confession of Faith. By this creed, the authorized teachers in the church are especially bound; and while they are not always and rigorously pressed to teach every thing which it may contain, they are expected in common honesty and good faith, not to teach anything tending to its subversion. Now, Dr. Hopkins had joined a church—the Presbyterian church. This he did voluntarily. And he abides in it voluntarily. He is hence under bonds. And from these bonds he may not be released in any way but by leaving that church."

The "bonds" to which the learned Doctor alludes are specifically quoted—being the ordination vow, and the solemn obligation to which he subscribed when he became a professor of theology. These bind him while he remains in the Presbyterian church, and he can only be released from them, to use a common phrase, "by stepping down and out."

To-Day is the day of prayer for schools and colleges, and for the youth of the church.

THE BOYS IN BLUE.

Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic—Large Attendance—Address of Department Commander Tyson—Reports—Election of Officers—Reunion at the Academy of Music—Banquet at the Union Depot Hotel.

The ninth annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Pennsylvania, in this city, yesterday, brought together a large number of comrades from every section of the State. Up to noon yesterday delegates representing seventy Posts had arrived. These were met at the depots by the Reception Committee and escorted to comfortable quarters.

BUSINESS MEETING.

The encampment held a business meeting in the Academy of Music at twelve o'clock yesterday, with Department Commander W. W. Tyson in the chair.

After prayer by Chaplain John Sayers, the roll was called by Adjutant General N. M. Smith, which showed that there were one hundred and nine delegates present, representing seventy Posts.

The following Committee on Credentials was appointed: Norman M. Smith, J. R. Milliken, E. Branson, G. Bosbyshell and W. J. Mackey.

The credentials of delegates having been duly inspected, the nomination for Department officers was made.

ADDRESS OF THE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

Department Commander Tyson addressed the Encampment, as follows:

Comrades: We have again assembled as the officers and delegates of the Department of Pennsylvania, for the transaction of business having reference to the management of the affairs of our order. I cordially greet you, and may your deliberations be marked by that spirit of fraternity and charity that characterises our Grand Army.

The reports of the staff officers will show the work in detail during the year.

The following new Posts were mustered by Senior Vice Commander Givin: 18, 21, 55 and 56.

Comrade Storrie, 35; Adjutant General Beatty, 48; Comrade Nash, 44; Comrade Beise, 148, and Post 100, at New Castle, and 40, at Gettysburg, Indiana county, by myself.

The financial condition of the department, although not all we could wish, is nevertheless in an improved condition, and for the first time in five years out of debt, with a balance over all liabilities of $155 14.

Notwithstanding the fact that one large Post surrendered its charter, and a few other Posts cut off a large lot of dead wood they had been carrying for some time, the department has gained during the year and we have entered upon the Centennial year with such encouragement as leads us to hope and work for a larger increase in our membership than we have ever known. Among the gratifying evidences of a higher appreciation of our order by those who, like yourselves, had been the defenders of the Union, is this: There was a time when we, to secure recruits, had to go to these old comrades in arms, and urge them to join us. We met with a number of objections. Now we find they come to us, and ask how can I join the Grand Army. They have become satisfied that the order is just what it claims to be; our fraternity and charity is broad and deep, and our loyalty, while loyal to the banner we followed, is also loyal to each other, and they realize another fact, that all, but the soldier forgets the soldier in his distress or helplessness. Another cause for congratulation is the number of Posts that have been reorganized. We also see some evidence of the gradual absorbtion of the different soldier organizations into our ranks. Many of these men see and feel the necessity of a national organization like ours. Our fraternity, like that of the old army, takes in all without regard to rank, nationality, sect or party, and the liberal charity bestowed on the disabled comrade and the families of our dead comrades, has won for us a recognition second to no society in the land.

The Commander recommends that each Post send to headquarters a full report of the Decoration ceremonies of the present year, to be incorporated in the published proceedings of the Department.

The Soldiers' Orphans' schools throughout the State are reported in a satisfactory condition. The Commander expresses the hope that "the Legislature will, by making a suitable appropriation, enable Professor Wickersham to carry out his desire to take all the children in the schools to Philadelphia during the Centennial. Certainly the State could not do a more fitting act than to provide that her Soldiers' Orphans' schools should have a place in the Educational Department at the Centennial."

THE CENTENNIAL.

The Commander-in-Chief has designated the 28th of June as the day upon which the National Encampment will meet in Philadelphia, and your attention is invited to the consideration of the arrangements for the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of our nation's birth, and to the proposed reunion of all departments of the Grand Army at that time. To no organization in our country is this Centennial so dear as to ours. The noble, patriotic people of the whole country, with no desire to keep alive any ill feeling engendered by the war, remembering that but for the patriotic, brave men of the nation, who, unused to the trade of arms, went forth to battle for national integrity and independence, with hearts beating time to the music of the Union and full to overflowing with thankfulness and gratitude, will shower such honors on you as the representatives of the living and dead heroes of the army that saved the nation, as no other society or organization will receive. The committee authorized by semi-annual encampment consisting of one comrade from each Philadelphia Post, to make arrangements for the reception and comfort of comrades of our own and other departments will submit a report of their labors to this Encampment, and while there was no provision for the continuance of the committee beyond the meeting of this Encampment, I would recommend that they be continued until the work is completed. The fact that the Centennial is to be held in our own State should incite in the hearts of all comrades an earnest desire and fresh zeal to places the department in the best possible condition. It is expected that very large delegations from other departments will be present and take part in the parade and reunion, and although our comrades in Philadelphia will do all they can to make the stay of our visiting comrades a very pleasant one, we must not forget that they will be the guests of the State and that it is plainly our duty to aid the comrades of Philadelphia by all the means in our power.

I am fully satisfied that our members can be doubled by that time, if the comrades will go to work in earnest. Let there be more individual effort. Post commanders should make a special appeal to each member of their posts, and impress upon each one, as a duty they owe the whole order, to present a new name each month before the National Encampment.

Commander Tyson, after referring to the good work of the Order in the way of relieving the wants of disabled and needy comrades and widows and orphans, continues as follows:

Among our comrades who have gone to join the Grand Army of the Dead during the past year is Comrade James Haslet, Commander of Post No. 1, who died on the 22d of November last. Those of you who attended the last annual encampment will remember his genial face. He was devoted to the Grand Army, and in his death our Order has lost a true comrade and faithful worker. May his memory be ever green in our hearts.

I desire to express my thanks to the officers of the department staff for their faithful and efficient performance of duties. To Senior Vice Commander Givin for his untiring zeal and hearty co-operation. To the Assistant Adjutant General, Comrade Norman M. Smith, I am under the greatest personal obligations. To him more than to any other comrade are we indebted for the present prosperous condition of the department, and I recommend and trust the Encampment will order an appropriate testimonial.

In conclusion, comrades, I desire to thank you for the honor you conferred upon me one year ago. I have, to the best of my ability, performed the duties of the office. I am fully sensible of the defects of my administration, but feel that you will do me the justice to believe that I have had the welfare of our order at heart.

I thank the comrades of the department for the fraternal spirit and good fellowship shown to me during the year.

In retiring from my official position, I return to the ranks, there, to labor with you in the interest of our Grand Army of the Republic, and our noble motto of "Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty."

ADJUTANT'S REPORT.

The report of Adjutant General N. M. Smith was read, which shows the condition of the department to be much better than heretofore, and that it is now in a most flourishing and prosperous condition. As an evidence of this he referred to the establishment of seventeen new posts during the year, with a large increase of membership in almost all of the old Posts.

Then followed the reports of Department Quartermaster Mulligan, Inspector Storey, Medical Director, Dr. Crawford; Centennial Committee, G. Bosbyshell.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

At four o'clock in the afternoon an election was held for department officers. The count was not finished last night, but sufficient progress was made to indicate the election of James W. Latta, of Philadelphia, as Department Commander, and I. B. Brown, of Corry, as Senior Vice Commander.

RECEPTION OF THE DELEGATES.

The formal reception of the delegates to the Encampment took place last evening at the Academy of Music, in presence of a large concourse of citizens, including many ladies. The meeting was called to order at eight P. M., with the following organization:

Chairman—W. W. Tyson. Vice Presidents—S. Irvin Given, Wm. H. Martin, Norman M. Smith, J. R. Mulliken, D. Newlin Fell, Isaac B. Brown, A. M. K. Storie, Louis Wagner, Frank Reader, A. Wilson Norris, O. S. Bosbyshell, R. B. Beath, Howard Reader. Secretaries—Reporters of the press.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

After prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. Sayers, and an inspiring air by the St. Cecelia Band, Hon. F. H. Collier was introduced and delivered an address of welcome to the delegates. He said he was proud of the honor, on behalf of the G. A. R. Posts of this vicinity, of welcoming the visiting comrades on this occasion. In the name of Pittsburgh, he cordially welcomed the representatives of the various Posts of the state. Our old, smoke-begrimed city needed no eulogy. Her record was written on the hearts of every widow and orphan in this broad land. He knew the visitors had a place in the hearts of their comrades here, for all had followed the same good old flag and battled for a common cause. He would particularly welcome the comrades on behalf of the ladies of the cities of Pittsburgh and Allegheny, whose modesty is only equalled by their patriotism and devotion in the times of our darkest trials.

The "Soldiers' Chorus," a beautiful song, was excellently rendered by the G. A. R. Glee Club, after which a

REPLY TO THE ADDRESS OF WELCOME

Was delivered by Major A. Wilson Norris. His address was a very eloquent and able one, and the speaker was frequently greeted with hearty applause. The band played "Hail Columbia," after which the orator of the occasion, Capt. C. J. Arms, was introduced, and delivered the oration.

Next after the oration was the song "Tenting To-night," which was given with fine effect by the Glee Club and St. Cecelia Band.

Colonel Reaif was next introduced and delivered a poem, which was well received by the audience.

The Glee Club sang "Marching through Georgia," the large audience joining in the chorus, at the conclusion of which the band struck up the "March to the Banquet." This closed the proceedings at the Academy, and those holding tickets to the banquet formed on Liberty street and, preceded by the band, marched to the Union Depot Hotel.

THE BANQUET.

The banquet at the Union Depot Hotel was a splendid success in every sense. Some two hundred and fifty Comrades were seated around the bountifully supplied tables in the spacious dining rooms, and it is scarcely necessary to say that the excellent cheer elicited the fullest appreciation of the guests.

The "Supper Call" by the drum corps, announced the banquet in readiness, and the comrades responded to the call with the same alacrity which marked like occasions on the tented field. After all were seated, Rev. John Sayers invoked a blessing, when the guests gave their undivided attention to the good things. At the conclusion of the supper the G. A. R. Glee Club sang "Hail, Festal Day," with their accustomed power and sweetness, after which were read

THE TOASTS.

1. The Grand Army of the Republic.

Response by Comrade O. C. Bosbyshell. He said he was not called on to respond to this toast because he was more eloquent or able, but because he was an old Commander of the Order, and was supposed to know more about it than others. The G. A. R. gathers in all nationalities, sects, colors and creeds, and everybody knew something of its purposes. It is a democratic organization, all having an equal footing in it who have an honorable discharge from the army of the United States. To illustrate the spirit of fraternity existing between members of the same army, the speaker told a thrilling anecdote of a sergeant who was killed while carrying a canteen of water to a wounded comrade at Antietam, when the latter lay between the lines, and to go to him was certain death.

2. The Army and Navy.

Response by Department Commander-elect, James W. Latta. The speaker said that having been elevated to the highest position in the gift of his comrades, he felt that his usual post-prandial speech would not suit his newly-acquired dignity. He heard around him a worse noise (the locomotives) than any he had heard in the war, and he despaired of saying anything which would be of any lasting benefit to those who were before him. This great army—[cheers and applause.] They expect the nations of the earth to come here—[deafening demonstrations of approval.] Those who desire to hear any revolutionary reminiscences from—[cries of "Hear," "Hear."] There are scenes and incidents which I might—["Go on," "Go on."] Pennsylvania's name, from the banks of the Delaware to the—["Hi," "Hi."] But perhaps I tire you—["Never," "never."] But to return to 1877—["Oh!" "Oh!"] The speaker closed his eloquent speech by saying that he thought the army of the country was around him, and he invited his audience to come down to Philadelphia during the year and prove worthy of the high encomiums he had passed upon them.

An intermission was taken at this time for a couple of songs. "Marching Through Georgia" was given with a will, and then "John Brown's Body." When the stanza beginning "We'll hang Jeff. Davis," etc. was sung the applause was deafening and universal.

3. Appomatox.

Response by Comrade John H. Kerr. He reviewed in glowing language the surrender of Lee at Appomatox and the virtual ending of the war by that event, and closed with an apostrophe to the banner which was borne to victory in the many battles which preceded that glorious occasion.

5. The wards of the Grand Army of the Republic.

This toast was appropriately responded to by Comrade John W. Vanderslice. He urged that the orphans of those who fell in the great struggle be cared for and educated, holding that no better monument could be erected to the memory of their brave fathers.

6. Our dead Comrades.

Rev. Comrade Sayers read a beautiful poem in response to this toast.

7. The Centennial.

Response by Col. Thomas M. Bayne. He supposed the Centennial was constitutional, although some persons had doubts as to its constitutionality. He at last hoped it was constitutional. The speaker then went on to say our nation was indebted to the soldiers of the Republic for the Centennial, for if they had not saved the country we would have no Centennial Exhibition. We should feel grateful to each other, and the people should feel grateful to the soldiers of the country for the preservation of our free institutions.

8. The Ladies.

To this toast Past Department Commander F. Reader responded in a peculiarly happy manner. He paid the highest possible compliments to the ladies of our land in language that fairly sparkled with wit. His speech provoked at times the heartiest peals of laughter and boisterous applause.

The tenth and last toast, "The Press," was ably and appropriately responded to by Comrade Erasmus Wilson.

This closed the interesting exercises of the evening, and while the band played a lively air the comrades dispersed. Those quartered at the Monongahela House were escorted thither by detachments of the Posts of this county, preceded by the St. Cecelia Band.

The music rendered by the Grand Army Glee Club, under the direction of Messrs. George Alexander and S. Hamilton, was very fine, and the gentlemen comprising that organization have the thanks of the members of our local Posts for the generous and delightful manner in which they contributed to the success of the occasion. That the affair was entirely successful is the universal verdict of all who participated.

THE GERMAN PRINTING.

Price Reduced to That for English and the "Frieheits Freund" Again Awarded the Work.

The Printing Committee of City Councils met last evening, Mr. Aull in the chair.

The Chair stated the object of the meeting to be the reconsideration of the matter of the contract for the German newspaper printing, referred back from Select Council.

Mr. Foley moved to reconsider the action of the committee in recommending the election of the *Frieheits Freund* to do the German printing, and after expression of views by several the motion was carried.

The Chair then read the bids of the *Volksblatt* and *Frieheits Freund* previously acted upon.

Mr. Foley moved that the contract be let to the lowest bidder.

Mr. Froelich called for the reading of affidavits of the proprietors of the respective papers, in hands of the Chairman.

The Chair read the affidavit of Mr. Bauer setting forth that during the past year the average daily circulation of the *Volksblatt* within the limits of the city of Pittsburgh was 938 copies.

Certificates from well known German citizens as to the "character and standing" of the *Volksblatt* as a newspaper was read.

The affidavits of the clerk and pressman of the *Freiheits Freund*; setting forth that the average daily circulation of the paper within the city of Pittsburgh during the past two years was 4,237, and that the circulation outside of the city was even larger, were read.

Mr. R. H. Negley stated that he was authorized by the proprietors of the *Freiheits Freund* to say that while they consider that the contract had already been given them and was binding, there having been so much talk about it that they are willing to donate the difference between the price of the *Dispatch* bid and their own to the city, and do the work at the same price as the *Dispatch*.

After some discussion Mr. Epping said he was authorized by the proprietor of the *Volksblatt* to say that he would do the work at the same price bid by the *Dispatch*.

A recess of ten minutes was taken to allow the contestants to put the propositions in writing. When the committee was again called to order.

Mr. Negley presented a written proposal from the proprietors of the *Frieheits Freund* to do the work at 19 cents for the first insertion and 10 cents for each subsequent insertion, per square.

Mr. Bauer, proprietor of the *Volksblatt* presented his proposition to the Chairman, who at once read it. The offer was in the interest of the taxpayers to do the work at 15 and 9 cents respectively.

Mr. Froelich moved to award the contract to the *Frieheits Freund*.

Mr. Foley claimed precedence for his previous motion to award the work to the *Volksblatt*.

Mr. Froelich's motion was put in the form of an amendment.

The motion was put on the amendment to award the contract to the *Freund* and was carried by a vote of 6 to 4, and the motion as awarded was put and carried by the same vote.

On motion of Mr. Foley the clerk was authorized to advertise for proposals to print 1,000 copies of the list of committees.

Adjourned.

EDUCATIONAL NOTES.

The *Educational Voice*, for January, contains the following from Prof. Andrew Burtt: Our evening school arrangements, if submitted to an intelligent examination, will probably be found to be almost the worst possible. The present Committee on Evening Schools has certainly exhibited marvelous inactivity or incapacity, and we earnestly hope that at the approaching organization of the Central Board that committee will be reconstructed.

Industrial drawing is receiving more attention from our school authorities and teachers at present than at any previous time. The people generally seem to have waked up to the importance of the subject, and it seems strange to many that the practical value of this study should have been so long overlooked. The State Superintendent of Public Instruction recommends to the Legislature that drawing be made a compulsory branch in the educational course of the public schools of the State, and we trust the Legislature will see the importance of acting upon the suggestion.

Fatally Burned.

About four o'clock yesterday afternoon Maggie Haslin, aged six years, daughter of Mrs. Haslin, who resides on Killbuck street, Allegheny, while playing with a stick at the kitchen stove, set her clothes on fire, and before assistance was rendered she was so badly burned that her life is despaired of.

THE REFORM SCHOOL.

The Investigation Postponed Until After the Legislative Committee Acts.

Mr. Bakewell, of the State Board of Charities, was promptly in his seat, yesterday morning, at the Reform School, and counsel, witnesses and others were also on hand. Mr. Bakewell announced that he had received a dispatch from a member of the State Board of Public Charities, to the effect that he and other members of the Board considered it best to adjourn the investigation for the present, in view of the action of the Legislature. Mr. Bakewell added that he presumed the Board will turn over the investigation to the Legislative Committee, and give them the benefit of the phonographic report of the testimony, so far as taken. He understood, though not officially, that the investigation by the committee would be commenced on next Monday, and as it would be impossible for the Board of Charities to conclude their investigation before that time, it was deemed best to await the action of the Legislative Committee.

Mr. Swartzwelder, counsel for Mr. Avery, said that he didn't fully apprehend Mr. Bakewell's meaning, and asked him if he intended to postpone the investigation until the Legislative Committee comes and then renew it.

Mr. Bakewell—My idea is to suspend it for the present, and entirely if the investigation by the Legislative Committee should prove to be sufficient. Mr. Bakewell added that he had also received a dispatch from Col. Noyes, the other member of the Board who was to assist in the investigation, announcing that he would be in the city on Friday.

Mr. Swartzwelder said that to stop the investigation just now would be rather unsatisfactory to those against whom the charges had been brought. Certain charges against the officers and teachers of the institution had been made public and not fully replied to, although they were prepared to answer them. He added that if such was the decision of the Board he supposed they need offer no objections.

Mr. Bakewell said that he could not do otherwise than act in accordance with the instruction of the Board. If afterwards the Board concluded to continue the investigation, a time could be fixed and all the parties interested would be duly notified.

Mr. Swartzwelder objected to the testimony thus far taken being turned over to the Legislative Committee, as such a proceeding would seem unfair, as nearly all the testimony was *ex parte*, and the defense had not been given an opportunity to answer.

Mr. Bakewell stated that the testimony for the defense was by no means complete, but the evidence on the other side was not all in either.

Mr. Avery said that during the examination of witnesses he had been laboring under a misapprehension. He ought to have cross-examined the witnesses, in order to foreshadow what line it was intended the defense would take. He did not do this, however, supposing that the opportunity would afterwards be given. Now these ladies who were on the stand had been permitted to go forth without their evidence having been contradicted, and in this way he thought the public had formed unfavorable and unfair impressions. "All I desire," continued the Superintendent, "is that the truth may be made known. I have perfect trust and confidence in the Board, and I am satisfied of the justness of our position."

Mr. Bakewell reminded Mr. Avery that a full opportunity had been offered to cross-examine the witnesses, and he thought they had been pretty thoroughly cross-examined. As to the testimony of the defense, that was taken hurriedly, and with the expectation that another opportunity would be given to complete it. He did not consider the investigation closed. Mr. Bakewell continued to say that he did not desire any conflict with the Legislature. The Board is a creature of the Legislature, and it was chiefly out of respect to this body that the Board adjourned the investigation.

Mr. Swartzwelder made the point that this committee was not appointed by the Legislature, but by the House—only one branch of the Legislature. He thought that a body appointed by the Legislature, whose action had been approved by the Governor, as in the case of the Board, was higher in authority than a committee appointed by a part of the Legislature, without any concurrence on the part of the other branch.

Mr. Bakewell—I don't think the action of the House interferes with our power to continue the investigation, nor that there is any conflict whatever.

The discussion was continued some time longer, but Mr. Bakewell, finally dismissed the parties, saying the investigation was merely suspended for the present.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

United States District Court—Before Judge McCandless.

George Fuller, bankrupt, of Venango county. Order made for the examination of bankrupt and other witnesses before Register Rogers on the 1st prox.

John Sheedy, bankrupt, Allegheny city. Order made for the sale of certain real estate heretofore sold to John McKeever.

D. W. Evans, bankrupt, this city. On petition U. S. Marshal Hall was appointed Provisional assignee to take possession of the property of said debtor.

Schail, Hoeveler & Co., bankrupts this city. A writ of injunction was ordered to issue against certain execution creditors restraining them against proceeding further against petitioners property.

F. H. Braggings, bankrupt, Mercer county. Argument on motion on continuance of hearing on motion for an injunction against certain execution creditors, was continued, and the hearing adjourned till the 11th prox.

C. L. Graff, bankrupt, this city. Hearing on the rule on the trustees under the composition to show cause, &c. Continued until the 31st inst.

Max Reese, bankrupt, Scranton. Petition for discharge presented and usual order made.

Lawrence Sands, bankrupt, of this city. The same was discharged from bankruptcy.

Francis Ardary, bankrupt of this city, petition presented for the ascertainment of certain alleged liens, and order made referring the same to Register Harper.

Annie E. Sink, bankrupt, of Butler. Petition for discharge presented and usual order made.

John O'R. Wilson, of Millerstown, Butler county, filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy, and the same was referred to Register Shafer.

Common Pleas No. 1.—Judges Stowe and Collier.

Commonwealth *ex rel.* vs. J. K. Lanahan, with notice; action on a bond. Jury out.

Levi Berwald & Co. vs. the Fame Insurance Company (two cases), previously reported. The plaintiffs took a non suit.

Samuel C. Cowan vs. Duquesne Savings Bank. Action to recover back usurious interest paid on a mortgage. On trial.

John Ward vs. Robert Shaffer, David Stoup and John McClarren, partners as David Stoup & Co.; sci fa on a mechanic's lien. On trial.

In the matter of the voluntary assignment of J. A. Crozier to E. L. Goodwin. An order was made vacating the order confirming report of auditor, and the report was referred back to auditor for reconsideration of the claim of Reisenstein Bros., of Philadelphia.

A final decree of divorce was made in the case of George Bardonner vs. Catharine Bardonner.

Report of auditor was confirmed absolutely in the case of Uzziah Stewart, use, vs. Valentine Petereins.

In the case of John B. McCune's executors vs. James O'Neill, the jury found for plaintiffs for $18 92.

TRIAL LIST FOR TO-DAY.

Bannerot, use, vs. Pittsburgh Gas Company; Sharp *et al.* vs. West Penn Railroad Company; Turner, administrator, vs. Henry; Herman, trustee, vs. Huckenstein (2); Seitz vs. Heyl; Sutton vs. Bridge & Bowman; Maloney vs. Penn Avenue B. & L. Association; Lewis vs. Ross *et al.*; Cavanaugh vs. McPherson *et al.*; Quinn vs. McGarr *et al.*; McCullough, Jr., & Co. vs. Dietrich *et al.*; Sands & Reineman vs. McKelvy; Diamond vs Diamond *et al.*; Throp vs. Sarver; Brown vs. Farrell *et al.*; Nums vs. Rowley; Bell vs. McCluskey; Coward vs. Frazier Brothers.

Common Pleas No. 2—Judges Ewing and Kirkpatrick.

In the matter of the voluntary assignment of Wm. Seybold and Wm. Wyant, partners as Wm. Seybold & Son, to Joseph A. Stone, James O'Neill and G. M. Bacon, were appointed appraisers.

George Billeb and wife vs. Pittsburgh and Castle Shannon Railroad Company; action to recover damages for the killing of a boy. Jury withdrawn and case continued.

Joseph Irwin vs. Joseph West's executor. The jury in this case retired last Tuesday. Yesterday they sent word to the court that there was no probability that they would agree on a verdict, and Judge Kirkpatrick discharged them. This is the third unsuccessful attempt to reach a conclusion in this case.

John W. Hamill vs. John Rahe, action to recover damages for alleged debauchery of plaintiff's wife. Jury out.

Bank of Pittsburgh vs. Milligan, Kershman & Co. On trial.

TRIAL LIST FOR TO-DAY.

McKenney & Son vs. Tenth Ward Bank; Bank of Pittsburgh vs Milligan *et al*; Craney vs. Ross *et al*; Ellis vs. McDermott; Chambers vs. Gregg; Andrews vs. Warren; Addis vs. City of Pittsburgh; Geegan vs. McNish *et al*; Beecher and wife vs. Golden; Broadest vs. Prager; Marshall vs. Anderson Balance Company; Minehart vs. Frederick *et al*.

Quarter Sessions—Judge Sterrett.

A *nolle pros.* was allowed in the case of George Neine, indicted for larceny as bailee, on oath of Eleanor Carrol.

The jury was dismissed in the case of August Shaffer, indicted for larceny, on oath of W. H. Hope, and a *nolle pros.* was allowed.

John Bell, indicted for fornix *et cet.*, pleaded *nolo contendere*. Mary Ellen Norney is the prosecutrix.

Christian Lutz was convicted of assault and battery, charged by John Brown.

Charles Londersetter, indicted for assault and battery, on oath of George Bauman, was acquitted, and the costs were divided.

A *nolle pros.* was allowed in the case of John Burns, indicted for perjury, on oath of Christine Lutz.

Frank Merriman was convicted of assault and battery, charged by Henry Lotz, and E. W. Merriman was acquitted, but directed to pay costs.

Lawrence Fainangle was acquitted of a charge of assault and battery, preferred by Joshua Splane, and the prosecutor directed to pay costs.

The jury in the case of the Commonwealth vs. Mary Harrington indicted for felonious assault and battery, on oath of Patrick Shaughnesey, found the defendant guilty of simple assault and battery.

The jury found a verdict of guilty with a recommendation to the mercy of the Court in the case of John H. Eader, indicted for assault and battery on oath of Mary E. Eader.

THE PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

The Centennial Depot at Philadelphia—Examination of Train Agents.

The plans and specifications for the Centennial passenger depot of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company are now ready, and work on the building will be commenced in a day or two. The depot is to be situated on Elm avenue, near the intersection with Belmont avenue, and south of Machinery Hall. It is to be one story in heighth, with four ornamental towers, and is to be built of wood. The general waiting room is to be one hundred by one hundred and thirty feet; the ticket office, forty by thirty feet; the ladies' waiting room, eighty-one by one hundred feet, and the baggage room, forty-nine by one hundred feet.

EXAMINATION OF TRAIN AGENTS.

The examination of the train agents of the Pittsburgh division of the Pennsylvania Railroad is now in progress in Philadelphia, and of the sixty agents who have presented themselves, but three, thus far, have passed. The examination is more than ordinarily searching, embracing, in addition to their routine duties, mathematics, grammar, geography, etc. The general line of the examination is about the same as required at our high school examination. The company are evidently intent on obtaining a higher standard of efficiency for its employees in the future.

CITY MATTERS IN BRIEF.

A committee of oil refiners will interview the Pennsylvania Railroad officials as to their grievances in the matter of freights.

Mr. Frank M. Kerr, who has been lying sick at the St. Charles Hotel, is, we are pleased to say, recovering. Mr. Kerr is now in business in Chicago.

Rev. Mr. Frazer will preach this evening in the First Methodist church, Fifth avenue above Smithfield streets. Meetings have been held in this church since the first of the year, preaching, prayer meeting and experience meetings alternating, and the interest increases.

The Rev. C. C. Beatty, D.D., of Steubenville, one of the oldest ministers of the Presbyterian church, who has been totally blind from cataract on both eyes, for several years past, has had the obstruction removed from one eye, by a surgical operation, and there is every probability that he will yet be able to walk unassisted, and probably to read again.

PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS.

Pittsburgh Opera House.

"Little Barefoot," at the matinee, and "Lorle," last evening, were played finely by Miss Maggie Mitchell and her company, and witnessed by immense audiences. This evening "Fanchon" will be given.

Next Monday evening, Mr. Barry Sullivan, the distinguished tragedian, will commence a week's engagement, supported by Miss Effie E. Ellsler.

Library Hall—"Uncle Tom."

Lottie and her company will give their first performance of "Uncle Tom's Cabin" at Library Hall, this evening. The seats are on sale at Hale's music store, 103 Smithfield street.

Trimble's Varieties Theater.

Lurline, Watson and the variety aggregation will appear in an entire change of programme this evening. They have crowded houses.

Latest Styles.

All the latest styles of cloths, vestings and suitings are to be found on the counters of Mr. B. Tiegel, No. 53 Smithfield street. If you want a well made and perfect fitting garment drop in and give Mr. T. a trial, as he employs none but first-class workmen and devotes personal attention to every detail of his business.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

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MEXICO.

The Northern and Central Districts Playing at Revolution.

Galveston, January 26.—A *News* special from San Antonia, 25th, says advices received at different points on the Rio Grande through couriers from Saltillo, state that a revolution has been started in the northern and central portions of Mexico, near the Rio Grande. General Herrena has pronounced for the movement, and surprised the authorities at Parras. The revolutionits assaulted Rasones, which is defended by Madro, who is prepared to defend it until reinforcements can arrive. The majority of the people in the Northern district are reported in favor of suppressing the rebellion, and are preparing for emergency. General Porfirio Diaz is at Laredo.

FIRE RECORD.

Brooklyn—$40,000.

New York, January 26.—Plase & Poillous' saw and planing mill, Brooklyn, was burned this morning. Loss, $40,000.

Harvard College—Hollis Hall.

Boston, January 26.—Hollis Hall, Harvard College, was badly damaged by fire to-day. The Pi Eta society, which occupied the upper part, lost much of its valuable property and records.

Milwaukee—$2,000.

Milwaukee, January 26.—The National Soldiers' Home near this city was damaged by fire this evening to the amount of about $2,000.

The new paper mill of Morrison, Bare & Co., at Roaring Springs, Blair county, Pa., is almost completed, the building being under roof, and the machinery having arrived last week. The building is larger than the old one, which was destroyed by a boiler explosion several months ago, and is an ornament to the village in which it is located.

ADDITIONAL MARKETS.

COTTON.

New Orleans.

New Orleans, January 26.—Cotton quiet. Sales 4,550 bales. Middling to strict middling 12⅝@13⅛c; good middling to middling fair 13⅜@14⅛c; no change in other grades. Net receipts 11,226 bales; gross 11,767 bales. Exports—Coastwise 7,717 bales. Stock 341,091 bales.

ADDITIONAL RIVER DISPATCHES.

Louisville, January 26.—Weather warm and cloudy. Arrived—H. S. Turner, Cincinnati; Morgan, New Orleans; Parker, Memphis. Departed—Turner, New Orleans; Morgan and Parker, Cincinnati. River 23 feet 6 inches in canal and 21 feet 6 inches on falls.

Evansville, January 26.—Weather cloudy; rained all afternoon; mercury 30 to 44. River rising; 39 feet on guage. Up—Charles Morgan, Florence Lee and Roberts. Down—Charley Brown, Kanawha No. 2 and Keystone, with barges. Morning Star and Red Cloud. Business dull.

Cairo, January 26.—Arrived—Thomas Sherlock, Cincinnati; Bermula, Nashville. Departed—Simpson Horner, Ohio River; Belle of Memphis, St. Louis. River 37 feet 6 inches and rising. Weather rainy and mild.

Memphis, January 26.—River rose 5 inches. Weather warm and cloudy. Arrived—Augusta, White river; Mary Bell, New Orleans. Departed—Belle of Shreveport, St. Louis; Peytona and barges, Ohio river.

Little Rock, January 26.—Weath warm with a little rain. River rising; 14 feet 9 inches by the gauge; reported rising heavily above. Arrived—Era No. 9 and Fanny Tatum. Departed—Fannie Tatum, New Orleans, with 2,465 bales of cotton.

New Orleans, January 26.—Weather clear and spring-like. Arrived—Thompson Dean, Memphis; Fontenelle, Arkansas river; Mary Houston and Louisville, Ohio river. Departed—Ouachita Belle, Ouachita river.

Vicksburg, January 26.—Down—John Howard and Ashland. Arrived—Golden Rule. Immense fog before day.

Nashville, January 26.—River rising; 27 feet on shoals. Departed—T. T. Hillman, Cairo.

St. Louis, January 26.—Arrived—James Howard and Carondelet, New Orleans; St. Joseph, Memphis. Departed—City of Quincy, New Orleans; City of Helena, Vicksburg; Grand Tower, Memphis. River fallen 5 inches. Weather cloudy and warm; heavy rain today. The Carondelet was pumped out today and came to the wharf. She can be repaired without going on the docks.

DIED:

CANON—Suddenly, on Wednesday, January 26, at 7 o'clock, CHARLES, son of John H. Canon, aged fourteen years.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

FOREIGN NEWS.

BY THE ATLANTIC CABLE.

England.

MUST BE REPEALED.

London, January 26.—The Canadian Government is to be informed that the clause in the Dominion Parliament's bill, creating a Supreme Court of the Dominion, which debars an appeal to the Privy Council of England, must be repealed.

ENGLISH EXPLORATION OF THE NILE—COLLISION BETWEEN STEAMSHIPS.

The *Morning Echo* says intelligence was received yesterday from Colonel Gordon's exploration party, dated at Duffle, stating that he was safe and well. The surgeon of the expedition had died, and Colonel Gordon was the only white man remaining. He had just reached the rapids, which he feared were impassable. If so, further exploration of the Nile in a steamer would be impracticable.

The steamship State of Nevada, which recently arrived at Antwerp from New York, and the British steamer Pallos, came in collision there day before yesterday. The State of Nevada had her rudder twisted, rudder post bent and propeller frame broken.

RUPTURES OF THE DIRECT CABLE—SERIOUS CHARGES — AN INVESTIGATION CALLED FOR.

London, January 26.—The *Times*, in its financial article, says the following letter makes a statement of an extraordinary kind with regard to the frequent ruptures of the Direct Cable Company's wire. It is hardly possible to believe that malicious conduct of the kind here pointed out could be adopted for any save sinister purposes, and for the sake of all concerned it is to be hoped that the fullest investigation may be made as to the delay which occurred in making the successive breakages known. We are informed that on this last occasion the company sent word to the Stock Exchange before eleven o'clock in the morning, so that the responsibility of keeping back the announcement does not rest with the Direct United States Cable Company:

"London, January 25.—*Sir:* In your article of to-day, you say respecting the direct United States cable: 'It would appear that news of the interruption was again known in the market to certain operators at least fifteen minutes before notice was posted in the Stock Exchange, and during that short period anglo-American stock jumped up nearly two per cent.' While fully appreciating your laudable endeavor to stop an infamous system of gambling, which cannot be too strongly condemned, I beg to assure you that the evil lies much deeper than appears at first sight, and that you may do a good public service in supporting the directors of the Direct United States Cable Company in obtaining a public inquiry into these neferious proceedings for bringing the perpetrators to justice. It is an undoubted fact that the ruptures of the direct United States cable, which have occurred in regular succession since the line opened, have been known to certain operators on the Stock Exchange not hours, but some days, before they happened, and it is equally certain that the ruptured cable was in each case sound and perfect up to the very moment when communication ceased, and that the ruptured ends, which have been brought home, prove beyond all doubt that the rupture was by violent means, in a depth exceeding that of dragging anchors under ordinary circumstances.

[Signed] "Ed. H. Lushington, Chairman."

KAUFFMAN TO COMMAND IN SOUTHERN RUSSIA.

A Vienna telegram reports that General Kauffman will take command of Southern Russia and Caucasus in the spring.

France.

NO MINISTERIAL MAJORITY IN THE SENATE.

London, January 26.—The *Times'* Paris telegram says it seems quite certain that the Senate, in no case, will contain a purely Ministerial majority, as M. Buffet understands the term. The Cabinet could only find a majority by the support of four anti-Republican groups, including the irreconcilable Bonapartists and ultra Legitimists, or by a union of the Moderate Left with the Ministerialists. M. Buffet must renounce the least co-operation from the Moderate Left. The Leon Say and Feray incident has placed an impassable barrier between the Left Center and him. M. Buffet then can only govern with the four groups of the Right. He resolutely presses the Moderate Left toward the Radical Left, and himself becomes the prisoner of the Bonapartists of all shader, being forced at the same time to reckon on the support of the Legitimists. Such a combination would be the signal for a most disastrous complication. If France is really to be saved, another policy must prevail—a policy liberal, moderate and firm against all violence or agitation. This policy is only possible with the Left Centre. Happily, the good sense and honest ideas of President MacMahon suffice to reassure France, and we may be certain that the next session will open under a Cabinet realizing the promise of Lille, and summoning around it moderate men of all parties.

RAILWAY STATION AT BOULOGNE IN FLAMES.

London, January 27.—Fire broke out in the new International railway station at Boulogne, last night. At last accounts the flames were spreading. The building was threatened with total destruction.

Germany.

MEETING OF DELEGATES.

Paris, January 26.—Another meeting of Senatorial delegates elected in the Department of the Seine was held to-day. Thiers, Gambetta and Victor Hugo were present. There was considerable discussion, and the meeting ultimately terminated without passing any resolution or arranging for another meeting. The leaders seemed to recognize the impossibility of arriving at any solution on the present occasion. At the conclusion of the meeting, Gambetta stated that several names will be returned at the first ballot for Senators, and if necessary an agreement will certainly be established at the second ballot.

AUSTRIA NOT MAKING WARLIKE PREPARATIONS.

Berlin, January 26.—The *Kreuz Zeitung* declares that it has received from a well informed quarter in Vienna a decided denial of the reports of Austrian military preparations in view of eventualities in Turkey.

Austria.

A COPY OF THE NOTE TO MR. CUSHING ASKED FOR BUT REFUSED.

Vienna, January 26.—The Austrian Foreign Office recently intimated to Mr. Orth, the American Minister, its desire to have a copy of Secretary Fish's note to Mr. Cushing. Mr. Orth telegraphed the fact to Washington, and asked for instructions. The American Government declined to allow a copy to be given. It is rumored that another note on the Cuban question is impending.

APPOINTMENT APPROVED.

Vienna, January 26.—The Emperor of Austria, on the 12th inst., formally approved the appointment of Monsignor Kutschter to the Bishopric of Vienna.

THE APPLICATION FOR AMERICA'S NOTE.

Vienna, January 27.—The application to the American Minister for a copy of the Cuban note was made by the Foreign office, so that an answer might be eventually sent by Austria.

PRESENTATION OF ANDRASSY'S PROPOSALS TO THE PORTE.

Vienna, January 26.—The presentation of Andrassy's proposals to the Sultan is fixed for the beginning of February. Their acceptance by the Porte is considered certain.

Switzerland.

INTERNATIONAL POSTAL CONGRESS.

Berne, January 26.—The International Postal Congress has agreed to admit British India and the French colonies into the postal union. The question of admitting other colonies is reserved until the next Congress, the time for the meeting of which will be appointed to-morrow.

European Turkey.

THE AUSTRIAN PROGRAMME UNACCEPTABLE TO HERZEGOVINA.

London, January 26.—A Berlin telegram says the insurgent leaders in Herzegovina have issued a proclamation, declaring that the Austrian programme is unacceptable, though supported by the Powers, and calling upon the friends of liberty to answer it with a continuance of the war and by stouter resistance.

THE SULTAN PREFERS TO BE A PREFERRED CREDITOR.

London, January 26.—The *Times'* Constantinople correspondent writes that he has been positively assured that the Sultan owns eight million pounds in the Turkish debt, and that he has exacted the full payment of his dividend, refusing the half coupon paid other creditors.

ATTEMPT TO ASSASSINATE THE PRIME MINISTER.

Bucharest, January 26.—A person once employed by the Government, named Parakivesko, who had been dismissed from his position for embezzlement and refused reinstatement by the Prime Minister, yesterday attempted to assassinate him while he was going to the Chamber of Deputies. He did not succeed, however, the Minister being only slightly wounded in the face. The perpetrator was arrested.

SORTIE FROM TREBIGNE REPULSED—SURRENDER OF THE PLACE IMMINENT.

Ragusa, January 26.—Thirty-five hundred of the garrison of Trebigne recently made a sortie to obtain supplies from Zarnina. The insurgents met them at Duzi and drove them back. The capitulation of Trebigne is imminent, owing to the lack of provisions.

FORTS RETAKEN FROM THE INSURGENTS.

London, January 27.—A dispatch to the *Telegraph* from Ragusa reports that the Turks, under Monktar Pasha, have retaken the forts and entrenchments at Radovan, which were captured by the Herzegovinians in the engagements of the 17th to the 19th instant.

A BATTLE EXPECTED TO-DAY.

London, January 27.—A telegram to the *Times*, dated Stagno, Dalmatia 26th, reports that the insurgents in Herzegovina have concentrated their forces on the road to Trebigne, and a battle is expected to take place to-day.

In consequence of the news of a rising in Crete, an Austrian corvette has been ordered to the island. Two thousand extra workmen are engaged on armaments at Pol.

CHANGE IN THE ASPECT OF THE EASTERN QUESTION.

London, January 27.—A Berlin correspondent of the *Times* telegraphs that the threatened collision between the Porte and Montenegro has once more changed the aspect of the Eastern question. He quotes an important statement in the Montenegrin official *Gazette* that Turkey is determined to make war on Montenegro, and says the article throughout is a justification of the insurrection and denunciation of Turkish cruelty. It declares that Montenegro has so far conformed to the requirements of international law. If Turkey acts differently, Montenegro will be freed from all restraint and forced to adopt any measure calculated to protect herself and secure the future of the Servian race. The article concludes: "No regard for any one or anything will fetter our action."

Spain.

SUCCESSES OF THE ROYALIST ARMS.

San Sebastian, January 26.—The Royalist troops have carried several important positions between Hernani and Lasarle, and are now encamped on the ground won from the Carlists.

BATTLE STILL RAGING.

London, January 26.—The latest advices from Renteria report that the battle continues to-day between Arechulegin and Santiago Mendix. Intelligence has been received from the passages that the Carlists in force occupy positions north of Audoain. An Alfonsist force has landed at Guetaria. A dispatch dated Hendaye and received in Paris, claims that the Carlists have been defeated.

LATEST FROM THE SCENE OF STRIFE.

London, January 27.—A special to the *Times*, dated Hendaye, January 26, says the Alfonists have withdrawn from both flanks of the Carlists, but still occupy the positions they captured around Hernani. Two battalions landed at Garetara and have captured the Carlist position commanding that town.

MOVEMENTS OF QUESADA'S ARMY.

San Sebastian, January 26.—General Quesada's division has carried several important Carlist positions betweed Hernani and Lasarte, and occupied Antonenea with the right wing resting on Urumea. A division of Catelan troops is operating on the left, with the object of reaching Urechulegui. It has occupied the heights commanding the road between Oyazun and Aistegarraga. General Mariones has returned to San Sebastian, after visiting the line of battle at Renteria. General Morales' division is acting as a reserve, and threatens Aratzean.

DEATH OF GENERAL ELIO.

London, January 26.—Dispatches received here announce the death of the Carlist General Elio.

RELIGIOUS TOLERATION.

Madrid, January 26.—The *Cronista* believes that the Cortes will approve of the clause in the Constitution establishing religious toleration.

COMPLEXION OF THE CORTES.

London, January 27.—A Madrid dispatch says the opposition in the Cortes will include three Republicans—Castelar, Seraclara and Anglada; three Radicals—the Marquis of Sardoal, Conde Reus and Olavarrietta: from thirty-five to forty Constitutionalists, among them Sagasta, Ulloa, Balaguer, Camacho and Romero Ortiz; fifteen to twenty new Catholic Moderados and thirty-five to forty partisans of Catholic unity, who will support the Government generally, except on the religious question. The *Espana*, a clerical organ, regrets that the elections were not held immediately after Alfonso was proclaimed King, in which case the triumph of Catholic unity would have been assured. This utterance is thought to indicate that principles of religious unity will be sustained.

Russia.

THE HEAVY FAILURES AT RIGA.

Riga, Russia, January 26.—The first dispatch about the failures here yesterday was incorrect. One large firm, not two, failed. Its liabilities are $1,627,200, and assets $1,720,000. The latter will be difficult to realize. The suspension of a local bank is confirmed.

Italy.

MEETING OF SOLDIERS—GARIBALDI PRESIDES.

London, January 27.—A dispatch from Rome reports that Garibaldi presided yesterday at a meeting of the survivors of his country's battles. His suggestion for the formation of an association of these survivors, with branches throughout Italy, was unanimously adopted. Garibaldi appeared to be in excellent health. He was enthusiastically greeted by many Englishmen and Americans who were present at the meeting.

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